

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 2833 PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 11, 2003, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 have been examined, and have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

A. Claims 1, 3 and 4 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,803,243 to Nestor et al. ("Nestor") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,496,977 to Date et al. ("Date").